

discharge of his duties said officer shall take and subscribe before the clerk of the superior court of Baltimore city the oath or affirmation required by the sixth (6th) section of article one (1) of the constitution, and shall also give bond to the State of Maryland in the penalty of five thousand dollars (\$5,000), conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office.

1904, art. 23, sec. 204. 1894, ch. 248, sec. 2. 1906, ch. 709, sec. 2.
1910, ch. 284 (p. 75).

223. It shall be the duty of the said fire marshal or the deputy fire marshal, hereinafter created, to examine into the causes, circumstances and origin of all fires and suspected attempts to set fire to any building, occurring within the State, to which his attention may be called, and which, in his judgment, requires examination; and in making said examinations the said fire marshal or deputy fire marshal may, when in his judgment said proceedings are necessary, take the testimony on oath of all persons supposed to be cognizant of any facts, or to have the means of knowledge in relation to the matters herein required to be examined and inquired into and to cause the said testimony to be reduced to writing; and when, in his judgment, such examination discloses that the fire or attempt to cause a fire was of incendiary origin, the fire marshal or deputy fire marshal may arrest the supposed incendiary, or cause him to be arrested, and charged with the crime; and shall transmit a copy of the testimony so taken to the state's attorney for the county or city wherein said fire or attempt to cause a fire occurred; and upon the request of the owner or insurer of any property destroyed or injured by fire, or in which an attempt to cause a fire may have occurred, the said fire marshal or deputy fire marshal shall make a written report to the person requesting the same, of the result of the examination made by him regarding said property; and said fire marshal shall annually report to the governor the results of all examinations made by him and the deputy fire marshal.

Ibid. sec. 205. 1894, ch. 248, sec. 3. 1906, ch. 709.
1910, ch. 284 (p. 76).

224. The fire marshal and deputy fire marshal, in the absence of the fire marshal, shall have power to subpoena witnesses and to compel their attendance before him or them to testify in relation to any matter which is, by the provisions of sections 223 and 224, a subject of inquiry and investigation by the said fire marshal or deputy fire marshal, and shall also have power to cause to be produced before him or them such papers as he or they may require in making such examinations; the said fire marshal and deputy fire marshal, in the absence of the fire marshal, shall be and they are hereby authorized to administer oaths and affirmations to persons appearing as witnesses before him or them; and false swearing in any matter of proceeding aforesaid shall be deemed a perjury, and shall be punishable as such; and the said fire marshal and deputy fire marshal shall have the authority at all times of the day or night, in